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THURSDAY, *January* 2, 1755.

LONDON, *October* 2.

LAST Thursday at a Council held at Kensington, it was ordered, That a Proclamation should be issued for the Parliament to meet on Thursday the 14th of November next, for the Dispatch of Business; which was accordingly published in last Saturday's Gazette.

We hear that Orders are given for Two Regiments to be sent from Ireland directly, for the West-Indies.

We hear that Sir Peter Halket's and Dunbar's Regiment of Foot in Ireland, are to be augmented to 1000 Men each, and are to be sent to Virginia; and 'tis said they will be commanded by General Braddock.

It is reported that a good Number of Lieutenants on Half pay will be ordered to attend this Week at the War-Office, to receive Commissions; some to be employed in the Troops that are to be sent over to Virginia, and some to discipline and head the American Forces.

To morrow the Commissioners of his Majesty's Navy, will contract for the Freight of Vessels to carry Forces for Virginia.

October 5. Letters from Cadiz, by the Dutch Mail, advise, That there are 12 Men of War in the Port of Cadiz, ready to sail; and that his Catholic Majesty is also augmenting his Land Forces.

We hear that Commodore Keppel goes on Board the Centurion Man of War, as Commander of a Squadron on a particular Expedition.

Wednesday a great Number of Captains of Transports attended at the Navy-Office, on Embarkation of Troops being expected soon for America.

The Utrecht Gazette tells us, in a Paragraph from London, dated Sept. 15, that Sir Benjamin Keene says in his last Dispatches, that we may now expect to see Matters settled on a solid Footing in the West Indies; that Mr. Wall, and the other Ministers of his Catholic Majesty, seem convinced of the Necessity of properly restraining the Spanish Guarda Costas; that several Councils have been held at Madrid on this Subject; and that Orders would speedily be dispatched to America, to prescribe the Conduct which the Guarda Costas are to observe towards the English Ships employed in lawful Commerce. The same Gazette also informs, that Mr. Duveisier's Conference with the Ministry, and the Directors of our India Company, is suspended till the Arrival of the French Company's final Resolution, concerning the Memorials lately sent to Paris.

October 8. Orders are given for two new Regiments to be raised in America, for the Defence of Virginia, and the other Colonies, against the Incursions of the French, and the Natives in their Interest. These Regiments, it is said, will be commanded by Cols. Pepperell and Shirley, which, with Sir Peter Halket's and Col. Dunbar's Regiments, from Ireland, will form a Body of near 4000 Men, besides the Forces already there.

It is reported that 20,000*l.* will be sent to Virginia, for defraying the Charges of defending the Frontiers of that Province.

On Friday Warrants were issued for pressing Sailors to man the Squadron which is designed for America; and on Sunday they were put in Execution with great Vigour, and a Number of Sailors prest'd, which, it is imagined, *must be the Consequences of a War.*

An Order has been issued by his Grace the Duke of Dorset, Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, for all absent Officers belonging to the Regiments of Foot respectively commanded by Sir Peter Halket and Col. Thomas Dunbar, in Ireland, forthwith to repair to their Posts in that Kingdom.

October 10. His Majesty has been pleased to approve of the following Officers, appointed to the Regiments of Foot to be raised in America, under the respective Commands of Col. William Shirley and Sir William Pepperell, Bart. to repair forthwith to their Posts.

Colonel. William Shirley.

Lieutenant Colonel. Elliot, from Half pay of Shirley's.

Major. Littlehales, from Half pay of Shirley's.

Captains. Kluener from Half pay of Goode's, Vickers, from Lord George Sackville's Additionals, Jocelin, from Old Buff's Additionals; Paston from Fleming's Additionals; More, from Half pay of Agnew's. *Lieutenants.* Campbell, from Lord John Murray's Additionals; Mulholland, from Half pay of Jordan's. Armstrong, from Half pay of Shirley's. Brown, from Half pay of Rich's Additionals. Clapham, from Half pay of twelve Independent Companies. Cooper, 2d Lieutenant, from Half pay of Frazer's Marines. Maitland, 2d Lieutenant, from Half pay of Cochran's. Cunningham, from Half pay of the Marines. Windus, 2d Lieutenant, from Half pay of Jordan's. Irwin, from Half-pay of Pepperell's. Gahany, Ensign, from Half pay of Shirley's. Bart. Mee, Ensign in Richbell's. Cheshire, Quarter Master to Bland's. *Ensigns.* Blair, Bradshaw, Walker, Carr, Sergeant in the Buffs.

Quarter-Masters. Bigg, from Half-pay of Pawlet's.

Surgeon. Scott, from Half-pay of Torrington's.

Colonel. Sir William Pepperell, from Half pay.

Lieutenant Colonel. Mercer, from Half-pay of Pepperell's. *Majors.* Craven, of Lord George Beauclerk's. *Captains.* Bradstreet, of late Pepperell's. Lord Boyde, of Scotch Fuzileers Additionals. Barford, from Old Buff's Additionals. Hutchinson, from Brag's Additionals. Delcary, from Johnson's Additionals. *Lieutenants.* Kempenfelt, from Half pay of Cochran's. Powell, from Half pay of Shirley's. Joyce, from Hopson's. Foxton, from Fleming's Additionals. Elrington, from Fleming's Additionals. Fleming, from Half-pay of Cornwall's. Drake, Ensign in Bocland's. How, from Half-pay of Cornwall's. Willes, Ensign in Pole's. Middlemore, Ensign in Wolfe's. M'Manus, Ensign in Warburton's. Gudgeon, Adjutant to Wolfe's. Moncalef, Lieutenant of Rangers in Nova Scotia. *Ensigns.* Hamilton, Rose, Newland, Countess. *Surgeon.* Kirkland, from Half-pay of Pepperell's.

Such of the above Officers, who are in Great-Britain, are immediately to repair to London, and embark on board the Transports provided for their Passage to North-America.

And those who are in Ireland, are immediately to repair to Cork, and embark on board the Transports provided for the carrying Sir Peter Halket's and Colonel Dunbar's Regiments to North-America.

We hear that a great many Serjeants of the Foot Guards are to have Commissions, and to be sent as Subaltern Officers to America, to join the Body of Men that are to be raised in that Country.

We are assured from good Authority, that there will be a Coalition of all the English Governments on the Continent of America; that each Colony will find in its respective Quota of Troops; and that they will be effectually supported by the Mother Country. We hear likewise, that several Independent Companies will be raised, which, with Halket's and Dunbar's Regiments, preparing to embark, and Sir William Pepperell's, and Governor Shirley's Regiments ordered to be raised in New-England, when joined with the Forces already there, will make a Body of near 10,000 regular Troops. Several fine Pieces of Artillery, with a sufficient Number of Mortrosses, &c. are ordered to be in Readiness; and it is not doubted that we shall not only dispossess the French from the Ohio, but compel them to keep such Limits as were prescribed to them by the Treaty of Utrecht.

They write from Stirling in Scotland, that on Monday Se'night a young Lady genteely dressed, came on Horseback (and a Servant in Livery with her) to an Inn in that Town, and having sent for some Shoes, a Shoemaker came with them; she bought a Pair, and prevailed with him to marry her privately. After having lain with him a Night or two, she rose one Morning pretty early, and went off with her Servant, having left a Letter on the Table of the Room where they lay, for her young Husband, acquainting him, that he should never see her more, and inclosing a Ten Pound Bank Note to him for his Trouble.

Capt. William Mantle is appointed Captain under Commodore Keppel, of the Centurion Man of War, on board of which the Commodore will soon hoist his Flag.

Extract of a private Letter from Lisbon, Sept. 14.

The Unicorn Man of War is arrived here from the Coast of Sallee. Those People are not at War with us; but those of Salla and Larache, who are under the Government of a Rebel Son of the Emperor of Morocco, have sent out a Vessel to take any Colours they meet with. However, it is to be hoped she will not reign long, as we have the Vessel sloop of War cruizing off the aforesaid Ports, so that they cannot well carry any thing in; nor do we suppose the Rebel will be able to support himself long.

October 14. Orders were given on Tuesday last, that all the Military Stores preparing for America, with Tents, &c. for about 8000 Men, should be got ready for Embarkation in seven Days from that Time.

Sir John St. Clair, Bart. Lieutenant General of Offarell's Regiment of Foot, is appointed Quarter Master General of all the Forces to go to America, and is to rank as Colonel.

It is rumoured that the French are going to embark 4000 Troops as soon as possible for America.

And this Week Sir John St. Clair, and Colonel Mostyn, Lieutenant Colonel of Sir William Pepperell's Regiment, will embark for Ireland.

Reviewing, Recruiting, and other Military Preparations go on here as if we were at the Eve of a War; but we are the less apprehensive of the Event, as it is very evident these Measures are taken in Conjunction with the Court of Madrid.

A great Number of Hands are at Work at the Laboratory at Woolwich, preparing Cartridges, fitting up Arms, &c. who are obliged to work Day and Night.

October 17. Some Advices from Canada tell us, that the regular Troops there, actually confisted of 11000 Men well officer'd and disciplin'd, with several very able Engineers, exclusive of a formidable Body of Indians always at their Devotion; and that the common Talk was, that they intended opening an uninterrupted Communication betwixt Canada and the Mississippi, by building a strong Chain of Forts upon the Back of our Settlements, and thereby exclude us the Fur Trade.

The Government of Pennsylvania have desired to be excused furnishing their Quota of Troops, as they are not a fighting People; and we are told that their Request will be complied with, upon contributing an equivalent in Money.

By a Letter from Gibraltar, dated September 6, we are told, six Days before Commodore Edgcumbe, with three Sail of Men of War, arrived there in five Days from Sallee, where, upon his going ashore he was told by the Moors, that they had no Intention of making War with the English, and that their Reason for taking the English Brigantine, her having no Mediterranean Pass on board.

We are told Mr. de Ensenada's Fall was accomplished by a foreign Minister, who discovered that the Orders transmitted by him in his Majesty's Name, to the Governors in America were not conformable to the Minutes settled in Council, but were calculated to promote a Scheme directly contrary to those Principles of Equity and Justice which have ever directed his Catholic Majesty's Conduct.

By an Account brought from France which may be depended upon, we are informed that the French seem quite unconcerned at the Succour we are going to afford our Colonies, and that the Report of their being upon the point of Embarking 4000 Forces is entirely groundless, and we may presume our Ministry would naturally take the Alarm and require a categorical

categorical Answer from that Court with regard to the Destination of so formidable a Body of Forces; nevertheless we are assured they are continually sending single Ships only with two or three Hundred Soldiers in each, which prevents any Enquiry being made.

A certain eminent Person, supposed to be deeply concerned in the late Lottery, has had notice given him to prepare for his Trial, which is to come on next Term at Westminster.

October 19. We hear that two more Regiments of Foot will be sent to Virginia.

Several new Carriages both for Cannon and Ammunition, are still preparing in the Tower, and Numbers of Hands employed in making up Cartridges, Balls, &c.

They write from Madrid, that the Marquis de la Enfenada was possessed of Jewels and other Effects to the Value of 10,000,000 Piastres.

October 20. Orders are given for a Captain, four Lieutenants, and sixty Bombardiers and Matrosses, to hold themselves ready to embark from Woolwich, in order to join the Forces destined for Virginia.

October 26. Besides the nine French Men of War, which lately touched at Lagos to take in Provisions, another French Squadron, consisting of eleven Men of War, has appeared off Cape St. Vincent; and private Letters from Lagos, advise, that these two Squadrons are to be united, but with what View is not known.

The Duke de Penthievre, Prince of the Blood, and high Admiral of France, arrived at Toulon the 21st ult. and has been employed ever since in taking an exact Account of the State of the French Marine.

September 17. An odd Affair happened to a wealthy Tradesman in this City. His ill State of Health obliging him to go to the Bath, he settled his Affairs and made his Will before he set out. His young Wife, whom he left at home, being curious to know how rich a Widow she should be in case of her Husband's Death, opened the Will, where she found an Annuity given her for her single Life; which she not approving of, consulted a Friend, and they made a new Will, appointing her sole Executrix. The Husband returned home not much better, and having given all his Fortune between his two Sisters Husbands, Widowers, for their Lives, and afterwards to be divided between their Children, in such Proportions as their Fathers should think proper, the Death of one of his Brothers in Law occasioned his making a new Will, which discovered the intended Fraud, and the Wife is since gone into the Country for her Health, and the Husband is now at the Point of Death. These are Frauds that too frequently happen for want of Care to depositе Wills, when made, in safe Hands.

The *Licentiousness* of the *Press* is, in the *Eyes* of *some People*, an extraordinary *Grievance*, and *oblique Threats* are thrown out, that as it *deserves*, so it will meet with a *Restriction*. Be that *Day* far from *us!* The *Liberty* of the *Press* is the *Birthright* of the *People*. It was *held* so at the *Revolution*, and the *Act* for *Licencing* was suffered to expire as a *Law* injurious to *Freedom*.

But the *Press* may be *abused*. What is there that *may not?* The *Bible* may be abused, the *Laws* may be abused, the *Constitution* may be abused, yet we have a *Birthright* in them *still*, and we should be *miserable* if they were *taken* from *us*. But this can *never happen* till the *Press* is *restrained*, which we can never *apprehend* from an *Administration* that has *nothing* to *fear* from it.

Peoples Lives are *licentious*, they contemn the *Laws* of God and *Men*, they prefer *sensual Pleasures* to *rational Enjoyments*, they not only *promote* but *vindicate* Corruption. In *Aid* of the *Laws*, when the *Press* exposes such *Practices*, is it *licentious?* Let us once see *Men* reduced to a *Sense* of their *Duty* by great *Examples*, SATIRE shall lay down her *Pen*, and the PRESS shall *sweat* under *Panegyric*.

DUBLIN, *October* 19.

It now appears, that all the Men of War at present designed for North America, consists only of the Centurion and three 20 Gun Ships, which are to sail to this Kingdom with seven Transports, and there take on Board two Regiments, making together 900 Men; which Reinforcement, Wind and Weather permitting, may reach Virginia about the End of December.

Paris, October 10. The Duke de Mirepoix has been with the King at Fontainbleau, and received his last Orders on different Affairs on his Return to England. This Subject becomes more considerable every Day, on Account of the Situation of Affairs in America and the East Indies; but notwithstanding all the Noise that is made at London, and the Preparations made, it is the common Opinion here of every Body, that Things will not be pushed to that Extremity there, as is imagined; and that on the next Conference held, the Limits of the Places will be settled in an amicable Manner. [*By this it plainly appears that the French want to lull us into all the Negligents of Security in order to wound us the deeper.*]

HALIFAX, in Nova Scotia, November 2.

Last Sunday in the Afternoon a Sermon from these Words, "When the Righteous are in Authority the People rejoice," was preach'd at the Meeting House of the Protestant Dissenters here, by Mr. Cotton, Preacher to that Society, before the Hon. the Lieutenant Governor, the Chief Justice and other Gentlemen of Distinction; wherein his Honour was addressed in the Name of the Society, with Assurances of their most loyal and dutiful Regards to his Majesty's most sacred Person, Family and Government; and of their joining with the greatest Sincerity in the general Rejoicing of the People upon his Honour's Confirmation in the chief Seat of Government over them; and also in the happy Prospect of the Continuance of an inviolable righteous Administration of Law, under the Hon. Chief Justice.

On Tuesday Morning last, being the first Day of Michaelmas Term, his Honour Jonathan Belcher, Esq; our Chief Justice, walk'd from the Governor's House, honour'd by the Presence of his Excellency Charles Lawrence, Esq; our Lieutenant Governor, and accompanied by the Hon. the Members of his Majesty's Council, preceded by the Provost Marshal, the Judge's Tipstaff, and other civil Officers, the Gentlemen of the Bar, attending in their Gowns, and walking in Procession to the long Room at Pontack's, where an elegant Breakfast was provided, and his Honour the Chief Justice, in his scarlet Robes, was received and complimented in the politest Manner, by a great Number of Gentlemen and Ladies, and Officers of the Army: Breakfast being over, they proceeded, with the Commission borne before them, to Church, where an excellent Sermon was preached by the Rev. Mr. Breynton, from these Words, "I am one of them that are peaceable and faithful in Israel:" A suitable Anthem was sung: After which they proceeded to the Court House, which upon this Occasion was very handsomely fitted up, where the Chief Justice being seated, with his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor on his right Hand under a Canopy, the Clerk of the Crown presented his Majesty's Commission to the Chief Justice, appointing him to be Chief Justice within this Province; which being returned, and Proclamation for Silence being made, the same was read, and Directions were given by the Chief Justice for the Conduct of the Practitioners; and the Grand Jury appearing in Court upon the Return of the Precept, were sworn and charged by the Chief Justice: And the Business of that Day being finished, and the Court adjourned, his Honour the Chief Justice, accompanied and attended as before, returned to the Governor's House.

On Thursday last his Honour Mr. Chief Justice Belcher, the Provost Marshal, the Gentlemen of the Bar, and other Officers of his Majesty's Supream Court, and the Gentlemen of the Grand Jury, waited on his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, when the Chief Justice, in his Robes of Office, addressed his Excellency in the Name of the Whole, as follows:

SIR,

WE esteem it our indispensible Duty to testify our Zeal, as Chief Justice, Provost Marshal, Grand-Jurors, Practitioners, and Officers of his Majesty's Supream Court of Judicature, for the Interests of this Province, and the Protection of its Laws, our Attachment to your Person, and our Respect and Gratitude for your eminent Services, by expressing our Joy on his Majesty's appointing you to the Chief Command of this his Dominion of Nova Scotia.

We shall ever consider it as essential to our Fidelity in the Execution of the Laws, to exert our most vigilant Endeavours for the Ease and Success of your Administration, and not only to suppress any Measures subversive of your Consultations for the Public Good, but at all Times to effectuate the Means prescribed by you for the Prosperity of the Province.

Our Solicitude for the Advancement of Justice under the Laws, cannot be more fervently expressed, than by the Tender of our ardent Wishes for your long and happy Continuance in the Chief Chair of this Government.

To which his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor was pleased to make the following ANSWER.

Mr. Chief Justice, and Gentlemen of the Supream Court, and Grand Jury,

I HAVE the highest Sense of this Testimony of your Zeal for the Public Welfare, and your Esteem for me.

I should be much wanting to my Duty, if I omitted this Opportunity of returning my Thanks for the Sentiments, learned, and elegant Charge from the Bench; and I doubt not, Gentlemen, but your Vigilance and Fidelity in the Service of your Country, will grow to its desired Effect.

While I have the Honour to sit in the Chair, be assured the Authority of Government shall be exerted to support the Laws; for the Laws, Gentlemen, is the firm and solid Basis of Civil Society, the Guardian of Liberty, the Protector of the Innocent, the Terror of the Guilty, and the Scourge of the Wicked.

CHARLES LAWRENCE.

The Beginning of this Week the Body of a Man, found at a Place about 9 Leagues to the Eastward of this Harbour, was brought to Town by some People who had been ashore there: upon Examination of the Body it appear'd that he had been shot in several Places, and his supposed he was kill'd by the Indians.

NEW YORK, December 9.

Saturday last his Honour our Lieutenant Governor was pleased, in Council, to give his Assent to the enacting the Twelve following Acts, passed this Session, viz.

An Act to continue an Act, entituled, An Act for granting to his Majesty, the several Duties and Impositions, on Goods, Wares and Merchandize imported into this Colony, therein mentioned.

An Act to regulate the collecting the Duty of Excise on Strong Liquors retailed in this Colony.

An Act to prevent malicious Informations in the Supreme Court of Judicature, for the Colony of New-York.

An Act to continue the several Acts for supporting the Garrison and Trading House at Oswego, with some Additions.

An Act to impower Justices of the Peace, to try Causes from Forty Shillings to Five Pounds.

An Act to continue an Act, entituled, An Act to regulate the Militia of this Colony, with an Alteration thereto.

An Act for the Relief of the Poor in Dutchess County, to enable the Inhabitants of the several Precincts thereof, to elect Overseers of the Poor, and to ascertain the Places of their respective Meetings.

An Act for the Relief of Insolvent Debtors with respect to the Imprisonment of their Persons in the City of New York, and County of Westchester.

An Act for raising a Sum not exceeding the Sum of One Hundred Pounds, on the Freeholders and Inhabitants of that Part of Orange County which lies to the Northward of the Mountains, for repairing the Court House in Goshen, and making an Addition thereto.

An Act to enable the Freeholders being Inhabitants of the West Division of the County of Richmond, to chuse and elect, Yearly, at their Town Meeting, two Constables for the said Division.

An Act for raising the Sum of One Thousand One Hundred and Twenty Five Pounds, by a Public Lottery, for a further Provision towards founding a College, for the Advancement of Learning within this Colony. And,

An Act for submitting the Controversy between the Colonies of New-York and New Jersey, relating to the Partition Line between the said Colonies, to the final Determination of his Majesty.

And after the same were published in the usual Manner, his Honour recommended it to the Speaker of the General Assembly, to adjourn the House to the second Tuesday in March next; and the House adjourn'd to the second Tuesday in March next accordingly.

Extract of a Letter from Black River, Musquito Shore, *October* 19, 1754.

"By a small Schooner arrived here from Campeachy, we have obtained a pretty clear Account of the Force that went to the Bay of Honduras, and their Intentions. The Spanish Fleet consists of Two Thirty Six Gun Ships, One large Xebeck, Two large Gallies, Two Brigs, One Snow, and One Sloop, with a Number of Small Craft; there is also several Families imported to Campeachy from Spain to settle the Bay, besides Two Thousand Men who were marched from the County to Baccalo for that Service, so that it seems the Spaniards are fully determined to make a Settlement there: This Account I believe to be authentick.

By a Vessel from Nantucket in about 12 Days we are told, That Capt. Rivers, in a Sloop bound from Hispaniola for Boston, was a few Days before cast away on the utmost Part of Nantucket Shoals;——That his Vessel was lost, but the chief Part of his Cargo sav'd.

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We hear from Somerset County in New Jersey, that on Friday last two of the three Men lately convicted there for Burglary and House Stealing, were executed; but the other was reprieved.

ANNAPOLIS.

His Excellency our Governor, in Council, has been pleased to prorogue the General Assembly of this Province (which stood prorogued to the 15th Instant), to Thursday the 20th Day of February next.

By Capt. Merryer, from New York, was received some late New-York Papers, from which we have collected many of the Articles in the Beginning of this Paper; and from some written Extracts from the St. James's Evening Post, received from a Friend by the last Post from Philadelphia, one have the other; from which last we have also an Account of the following Arrivals, viz.

Sept. 28. Arrived, at Dover, the Galloway, Spencer, from Maryland; at Plymouth, the Emerald, Garnet, from Maryland; at Cork, the William, Nobles, from Virginia; at Briſtol, the Virginia Merchant, Wright, from Virginia; at Briſtol, the True Patriot, Randolph, from Virginia; October 8, at Deal, the Hudson, Payne, Virginia.

Sunday Night last four Sailors broke out of our Goal, by taking up Part of the Floor, and digging a Hole quite down to, and under, the Foundation of the House.

This Day the Rev. Mr. Whitefield came to Town a-croſs the Bay, a little before Half an Hour after X o'Clock, and ſet out for the Southward, a little after Half an Hour before XI.

Continuation of the ASSEMBLY AFFAIRS, as begun in our laſt.

Friday, *December* 20, 1754.

A MESSAGE was ſent to the Upper Houſe to acquaint them, that they had appointed [*the Gentlemen named in our laſt*] a Committee to inſpect the Accounts and Proceedings of the Commiſſioners for emitting Bills of Credit eſtabliſhed by Act of Aſſembly, and to deſire their Honours to appoint one or more of their Houſe to join them.

A Meſſage was brought from the Upper Houſe, in Anſwer to the above, acquainting them, that they had appointed *Richard Lee*, Eſq; to join the ſaid Committee.

Poſt Meridiem. A Petition of *James Richard*, of *Baltimore* County, was read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

A Bill,——*For taking and detaining able bodied Men for his Majeſty's Service*, had a firſt Reading.

The Houſe adjourned.

Saturday, *December* 21.

His Excellency communicated to Mr. Speaker, the following Meſſage, *viz.*

Gentlemen of the Lower Houſe of Aſſembly,

I TAKE this Opportunity of acquainting you, that the Sum of Five Hundred Pounds, which was granted by the Repreſentatives of this Province, in *May* laſt, for a Preſent to the Six *Indian* Nations, was accordingly preſented by the Gentlemen who were commiſſioned for that Purpoſe; to as many of thoſe People as were preſent at the Interview held with them at *Albany*, by Commiſſioners from the ſeveral *Britiſh* Colonies on the Continent; and I had the Satisfaction to learn, that the *Indians*, who accepted the Preſent, expreſſed their Gratitude in a particular Manner, for the Generoſity and Benevolence of their Friends and Brethren in *Maryland*. How requiſite, or rather abſolutely neceſſary, that Interview with thoſe Nations was, at that Time, will appear from a Peruſal of the Minutes of the Commiſſioners Proceedings, a Copy of which I have ordered to be laid before you; and I doubt not but you will be well pleaſed with the Part which the Gentlemen, who repreſented this Province, acted therein.

HOR°. SHARPE.

A Bill,——*For raiſing a Supply towards his Majeſty's Service*, had a firſt Reading.

Poſt Meridiem. The Bill,——*For taking and detaining able-bodied Men*, had a ſecond Reading, paſſed, and was ſent to the Upper Houſe.

The Bill,——*For raiſing a Supply*, had a ſecond Reading, by eſpecial Order, paſſed, and was ſent up.

The Houſe adjourned 'till Monday.

Monday, *December* 23.

The Bill,——*For taking and detaining able-bodied Men for his Majeſty's Service*, was brought from the Upper Houſe, paſſed; which Bill was read and paſſed for ingroſſing.

An Addreſs to the Governor, in Anſwer to his Meſſage of the 21ſt Inſtant, was ordered to be prepared.

The Addreſs was brought in, read, approved, and ordered to be ingroſſed.

The Bill,——*For taking and detaining able bodied Men*, was brought in ingroſſed, was read and aſſented to, and ſent to the Upper Houſe, with the Paper Bill.

The Houſe adjourned.

Tueſday, *December* 24.

The following Addreſs was brought in ingroſſed, which was read and aſſented to and agreed, by Order of the Houſe, by the Honourable Speaker, *viz.*

To his Excellency HORATIO SHARPE, Eſq; Governor and Commander in Chief in and over the Province of MARYLAND.

The humble ADDRESS of the Houſe of DELEGATES.

May it pleaſe your Excellency,

ALTHOUGH we conceive, that many Matters contained in the Minutes of Proceedings of the Commiſſioners in the late Congreſs, held at *Albany*, communicated to this Houſe by your Excellency, with your Meſſage of the 21ſt Day of *December* Inſtant, are of very great Importance, and much concern the Rights, Liberties, and Properties of the good People of this Province; yet we apprehend they do not require our immediate Attention, and the Buſineſs of this Seſſion being, we hope, near a Concluſion, the Inclemency of the Seaſon alſo ſtrongly inclining us to return to our reſpective Homes, we have, therefore, referred the Conſideration of them to the next Seſſion of Aſſembly.

The Addreſs was preſented to his Excellency, by Dr. *Carroll*, and Five more Members.

The Bill,——*For raiſing a Supply for his Majeſty's Service*, was brought down from the Upper Houſe, with a Negative.

Leave given, to bring in a Bill,——*Directing the Commiſſioners of the Paper Currency Office to call in the Intereſt Money due on Bonds and other Securities, and all Monies due on Funds payable into the ſaid Office.*

The Paper Bill,——*For taking and detaining able bodied Men*, was brought down, thus indorſed, "The ingroſſed Bill, whereof this is the Original, "is read and aſſented to."

Ordered, That no Public Buſineſs be proceeded on after XII o'Clock this Day, during this Seſſion.

The Bill,——*Directing the Commiſſioners*, &c. was brought in, had a firſt and ſecond Reading by eſpecial Order, paſſed, and was ſent up.

It was motion'd in the Houſe, That the Bill, ——*For raiſing a Supply for his Majeſty's Service*, (which had paſſed this Houſe, and was negativ'd by the Upper Houſe, this Seſſion) ſhould be Printed among the Votes and Proceedings; and the Queſtion was put, Whether it ſhould be Printed, or Not? Carried in the Affirmative. Yeas 44. Nays 3.

It was *Ordered*, "That *Jonas Green* do immediately Print the Bill, entituled, *An Act for taking and detaining able bodied Men for his Majeſty's Service*, and diſperſe a ſufficient Number forthwith to the ſeveral Sheriffs, to be delivered to the reſpective Magiſtrates of every County within this Province, with all Expedition." [*The Printer has complied with the Order, and Copies of the Laws, are ſent to the ſeveral Sheriffs*, On his Lordſhip's Service, *for all the Magiſtrates.*]

The Bill,——*Directing the Commiſſioners of the Paper Currency Office*, was brought down from the Upper Houſe, with a propoſed Amendment, with which the Houſe would not agree.

Two of the Members of the Lower Houſe, were ordered to acquaint the Governor, that no Public Buſineſs lay before the Houſe to tranſact.

One of the Gentlemen of the Upper Houſe, came down and acquainted Mr. Speaker, that the Governor required the Attendance of the Lower Houſe, in the Upper Houſe.

Mr. Speaker, and the whole Houſe, went up; and his Excellency paſſed the ingroſſed Bill, entituled, *An Act for taking and detaining able bodied Men for his Majeſty's Service*, into a Law; by ſealing it, and then declaring, *On Behalf of the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary of this Province, I WILL THIS BE A LAW*; and Signing it.

Then his Excellency put an End to the Seſſion, with a Speech. [*Printed in our laſt.*]

STRAYED away from *Annapolis*, on the 21ſt of *December* laſt, a low Bay well-fat Horſe, with a Sprig Tail and hanging Mane, branded E D or E G on one Buttock and Shoulder.

Alſo, a long legged Grey Horſe, had a long bob Tail, a ſmall Scar on his Back, uncertain whether branded or not.

Whoever will bring the ſaid Horſes either to Mr. *John Pace*, in *Baltimore* County, Mr. *Thomas Reynolds*, in *Calvert*, or Mrs. *Mercier*, in *Annapolis*, ſhall have Ten Shillings Reward for each.

December 26, 1754.

BROKE out of the Goal in the City of *Annapolis*, on the 26th Inſtant, the following Sailors, who ſome Time paſt ſtole a Boat and ran away from the Ship *Unity* belonging to Mr. *Jacob Giles*, and were taken up in *Talbot* County, and were in my Cuſtody on Suſpicion of Felony, and likewiſe for Debt, *viz.*

Iſaac Gullies, near 6 Feet high, had a blue Pea Jacket and a dirty Oſnabrig Shirt and Trowſers.

John Watſon, about 5 Feet 6 Inches high, neatly dreſs'd in a green Waiſtcoat, and Breeches, check Shirt, brown Wig, and may have other Cloaths.

Steward Weldon, near the ſame Height with *Watſon*; had on a blue Pea Jacket, check Shirt and Oſnabrig Trowſers. And

Walter Dunn, about the ſame ſize; had on a blue Pea Jacket, check Shirt and ſhort wide Trowſers.

N. B. They all wore Hats, but may probably have chang'd their Dreſs.

Whoever takes up the ſaid Sailors and brings them to the Subſcriber at *Annapolis*, ſhall have Five Pounds Reward, and reaſonable Charges, paid by

John Ratt, Sheriff of *Anne Arundel* County.

THERE is at the Plantation of *John M'Donald*, at *Piney Creek* near *Magothy*, a Stray Barrow, about 2 Years old, has a Hole in each Ear, and a Crop and under Cut in the Right.

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of *Charles Hartyman*, in *Baltimore* County, on *Back River* Neck, taken up as a Stray, a ſmall Bay Mare, branded on the near Buttock and Shoulder with a Figure of 4, and can pace and trot.

The Owner may have her again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

Now lying in Gunpowder *River*, *and to be Sold for Bills of Exchange, Sterling, or Current Money,*

THE SLOOP *Hoſier*, with all her Tackle, Apparel, and Furniture; ſhe is well fitted and found, is 43 Feet Keel, and 17 Feet Beam, and is about 18 Months from the Stocks. An Inventory of the whole to be ſeen, and the Terms known, by applying to Mr. *Anthony M'Culloch*, at *Queen's-Town*, or the Subſcriber, at *Joppa*.

Charles Chriſtie.

To be Sold by the Subſcribers, near *Baltimore-Town*,

A PARCEL of choice *Gold-Coaſt* SLAVES, Boys and Girls; likewiſe a Parcel of good *Barbados* RUM, and PIMENTO; for Bills of Exchange, Sterling Caſh, Gold, Silver, or Paper Currency.

Chamier and *Carnan.*

TO BE SOLD,

A Valuable Tract of Land, in *Dorcheſter* County, on *Nanticoke* River, between 1300 and 1500 Acres, a very convenient Place for Trade, Ships can come up to the Landings on the Land; remarkably fertile in all Kinds of Grain, well adapted for raiſing large Quantities of Stock, for getting Lumber and Myrtle Wax; very level, rich Land, and little uſed or cleared.

Whoever is inclinable to purchaſe it, may know the Terms, and have an indiſputable Title, from *Philip Ludwell Lee*, at *Stratford*, in *Weſtmoreland* County, near *Potowmack* River, in *Virginia*.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of Mr. *Daniel Carroll*, in *Frederick* County, taken up as a Stray, a Bay Horſe, about 15 Hands high, branded on the near Buttock C. C.

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

WHEREAS there is no free Ferry over *Patapsco* River, for the Inhabitants of *Baltimore* County; it may be thought that there will but one Boat tend, which will be discouraging Strangers from coming to the said Ferry, and especially as it has already been reported by some ill-natured Persons, that it has been neglected; This is to certify, that the said Ferry will be well kept with two Boats, and four good Hands, and due Attendance given.

Joshua Dorsey.

RAN away from the Subscriber, living in *Queen-Anne's* County, *Kent Island*, on the 3d of *November* last, a Servant Man, named *John Griffith*, born in *Wiltshire*, about 18 or 20 Years of Age, he is a middle sized, fresh, well-looking Fellow. Had on when he went away, a dark Bearskin Coat, and under it a grand Durel Coat, black Jacket, Sagathy Breeches, a Cotton Check Shirt, a Linnen ditto, fine Worsted Stockings, double channel'd Boots, a grey Grizzel Wig, and a Castor Hat.

Whoever brings the said Servant to the Subscriber, shall have Twenty Shillings Reward, if taken in the County; if taken out of the County, Thirty Shillings; and if taken out of the Province, Forty Shillings; beside what the Law allows, paid by

William Horn.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of *Isaac Brashear*, in *Prince George's* County, taken up as a Stray, a Black Mare, about 13 Hands and a half high, branded on the near Shoulder with a W, with a Cross at the Top of it, is a natural Pacer, has a Star in her Forehead, and some small Saddle Spots, and had on a small Bell.

The Owner may have her again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of *John Conaway*, in *Baltimore* County, taken up as a Stray, a Black Mare, not broke, dock'd, or branded.

The Owner may have her again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hreeby given, That there is at the Plantation of *Thomas Welsh*, in *Prince George's* County, taken up as a Stray, a Sorrel Horse, about 13 Hands high, branded on the off Buttock with a Heart, has a Blaze in his Face, and has two white Feet.

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

CHOICE *Madeira*, and White WINE, to be Sold very cheap, by

Lancelot Jacques.

RAN away on the 1st of *December* last from the Subscriber, living at *Tom's* Creek in *Frederick* County, an *Irish* Servant Man, named *John Cady*, about 20 or 21 Years of Age, a Husbandman, of short Stature and slim, fair Complexion, had long fair Hair, two of his upper Teeth (one on each Side his Mouth) stand pretty far out. He had on and with him a Country Linnen Coat blue and white mix'd, with a small Cape, a Jacket of the same, and a Woolen Jacket the Stripes across, one Pair of Leather and one Pair of red Cloth Breeches, light blue Stockings, one white and one Check Shirt, and two Felt Hats.

Whoever takes up the said Servant, and secures him so that he may be had again, shall have a Pistole Reward, beside what the Law allows, and reasonable Charges, paid by

William Blair.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of *Charles Robinson*, Ship-Carpenter, in *Prince George's* County, a Bay Mare, about 14 Hands high, branded on the near Buttock with the Letter W, and on the near Shoulder with the Letter R.

The Owner may have her again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of *Thomas Welsh*, near *Snowden's* Works, taken up as a Stray, a small Black Mare, branded on the near Buttock with a large blotted Brand, and on the off Buttock with two blotted Dots, and has a small Star in her Forehead.

The Owner may have her again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

THERE are in my Custody *John Bluit* and *John Evans*, who were committed as Runaways, and on Suspicion of Felony; but are since clear'd of the Felony. Their Masters, *Richard Gambrill* and *Robert Morrison*, who live in *Charles* County (to whom I have wrote) are desired to fetch them away soon, or they will be sold to pay their Charges.

William Young, Sheriff of *Baltimore* County.

THE Executor of the late Capt. *Thomas Asbrew*, having constituted me the Subscriber his Attorney in Fact, for settling his Affairs in this Province; this is to desire all Persons who have any Demands on the said *Asbrew's* Estate, to bring in their Accounts, that they may be discharged: And those indebted are requested to make speedy Payments, to prevent Expence to themselves, and Trouble to

Lancelot Jacques.

RAN away from the Subscriber, living in *Baltimore-Town*, on the 20th of *November* last, a Servant Man, named *John Edwards*, of a surly down Look, about 5 Feet 8 or 10 Inches high, aged 24 Years, by Trade a Gardener. Had on and with him, a Fustian Frock with flat white Metal Buttons, black Cloth Vest and Breeches, a Pair of brown Cloth Breeches, blue Worsted Stockings, one Pair of Yarn, two Osnabrigs Shirts, two of white Holland, and Country made Shoes.

Whoever secures the said Runaway, shall have Forty Shillings Reward, if taken in *Baltimore*; Three Pounds, if taken in any other County in the Province; if taken out of the Province and brought home FOUR PISTOLES, paid by

Lloyd Buchanan.

By Kent County November Court, 1754.

WHEREAS this Court is informed, that the several Warehouses in this County, are much out of Repair, do appoint Messieurs *Simon Wilmer*, *Jacob Jones*, and *Nicholas Smith*, or any Two of them, to meet at *Georges-Town* Warehouse on the First Tuesday of *January* next, and the Wednesday following at *Falconar's*, and likewise appoint Messieurs *Beddingfield Hands*, *John Williamson*, and *William Ringgold*, to meet at *Chester Town* Warehouse the Thursday following; any Two of them; and likewise appoint Messieurs *Charles Scott*, *William Ringgold*, and *William Hynson*, or any Two of them, to meet at *Langford's* Bay Warehouse on the Friday following; and at *Terry's* Warehouse on the Saturday following; and at *Graves's* Warehouse the Monday following; to agree with any Person or Persons to repair and compleat the same.

James Smith, Clerk of *Kent* County.

TO BE SOLD,

ONE Tract of Land, lying on *Bennet's* Creek, in *Frederick* County, called *Plummer's Delight*, 50 Acres.

One other Tract of Land, lying near *Fig* Creek, called *Joseph's Chance*, 50 Acres.

One other Tract of Land, called *Albany*, lying in *Prince George's* County, containing 200 Acres, more or less.

One other Tract of Land, called *Calvert's Rest*, where Mr. *Joseph Belt*, junr. now lives, containing 230 Acres, with an excessing good House thereon; the Plantation in good Order, and lies within a Mile and Half of *Upper Marlborough*.

For Title and Terms of Sale, apply to Mr. *Joseph Belt*, junr. or *Brian Philips*, junr. or in his Absence to *Kinsey Johns*, at *West River*.

LOST, a good Silver Watch, the Maker's Name KIPLING, LONDON, the Number forgot; had a much worn yellow Silk String, to which was fix'd, a Cornelian Seal set in Gold, the Key, and a small Brass Padlock Key. An Impression of the Seal being left at the *Printing-Office*.

Whoever brings the Watch, Seal, &c. either to Mr. *Middleton*, or the Printer hereof, shall have TWO PISTOLES Reward, and no Questions ask'd.

If offer'd to be Sold or Pawn'd, pray stop it.

JOHN REEVES, AND GEORGE OTTAWELL, TAYLORS, living in an Apartment adjoining to Mr. *George Johnson's*, Peroke-Maker, in *Annapolis*,

CARRY on the Business of TAYLORING, where Gentlemen and Others may depend on being faithfully served, by

Their most humble Servants,

John Reeves,

George Ottawell.

N. B. The said *George Ottawell* perfectly understands making of Ladies Riding-Habits, and Josephs, in the neatest Manner, having served the most noticed Man in *England*.

THE Subscriber being appointed by Mr. *James Jolly*, late of this City, Wine-worker (now gone to *London*) his Attorney in Fact, desires all Persons indebted to him, (of which he has the Accounts legally prov'd) to come and pay their respective Debts: And all those to whom he was indebted, if any, on producing their Accounts, shall be paid, by

John Inch.

RAN away from the Subscriber, living in *Queen Anne's* County, an Indented Servant Man, named *James M'Gaw*, a Irishman, served the first Part of his Time with Mr. *Jacob Giles*, at his Iron Works. He was advertised when he first went away, but could hear nothing of him then; but have since heard he has been about the said Iron-Works, and in *Lancaster* County; he is remarkable for being very saucy when drunk, and is about 5 Feet 7 or 8 Inches high. Has different Apparel with him, and sometimes dresses genteel, beyond a common Labourer.

Whoever takes up the said Servant, and secures him, so as his Master may have him again, shall have Four Pistoles Reward, beside what the Law allows, paid by

John Smyth.

July 3, 1754.

WHEREAS the Commissioners of the Paper Currency Office, have, by frequent Advertisements, required the Debtors of that Office to pay the Interest due on their several Bonds, which they have hitherto failed to comply with: Therefore the Commissioners now give notice to the Debtors of the said Office, that unless they will come without Loss of Time, and pay off the Interest due on their several Bonds, they will be put in Suit.

Signed per Order of the Commissioners,

Richard Dorsey,

Clerk Paper Currency Office.

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